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Dear Sir:

This is a response to the Final Office Action dated March 23, 2007 for which a two month extension is being filed herewith to extend the period for response from June 23, 2007 to August 23, 2007. This Amendment and Response is also accompanied by a Request for Continued Examination and a Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement.